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## **APPLICANT INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

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Applicants would like to thank Examiner Jeffrey Wong for the courtesy of the telephonic interview with Applicants' Representative, Robert Hirning, on July 14, 2011, and for subsequent follow-up telephone discussions to provide changes to the Examiner's amendment, in connection with the above-identified patent application.

In the telephone interview and follow-up telephone discussions, Claims 1-37 were discussed, and amendments to the clams were mutually agreed upon for allowance. Applicants submit that such agreement does not serve as an admission that any rejection or objection to the claims was proper.

Further, Applicants submit that the reasons for the Examiner's amendment as listed in the Interview Summary of August 5, 2011 do not necessarily serve as the Applicants' reasons for approving the Examiner's amendment. For example, Applicants submit that statutory subject matter under Section 101 existed in each of the claims independent of the Examiner's amendment, and that any requirement for "physical transformation" or "structural components" as explained by the Interview Summary does not necessarily apply to the previous and currently presented claims. Applicants therefore submit that the approval of the Examiner's amendment does not serve as an admission that any rejection or objection to the claims as suggested in the Interview Summary was proper.

The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' representative at (612) 371-2110 if there are any questions regarding this application.

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